

REMARKS

Dependency

Applicant notes the Examiner's objection to claim 36 as being of improper dependent form. Applicant has cancelled this claim without prejudice to further the prosecution of the present application.

Anticipation

Applicant notes the rejections of claims 1, 10, 19, 23, 27, 30, 34 and 36 under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated in view of Kirani et al.

102(e) Rejection

Applicant has reviewed the newly cited art of Adams that was used to reject the claims 1, 10, 19, 23, 34, 36, and 38 submitted on September 4, 2007, under 35 U.S.C. 102(e). Applicant disagrees with this new rejection, as Adams, taken on the whole, does not contain any implicit nor explicit teachings that would lead one to the invention as originally claimed.

However, in order to further expedite the prosecution of the present application, Applicant has cancelled the claims 1, 10, 19, 23, 27, 30, 34 and 36 and reserves the right to file these in a subsequent continuation application.

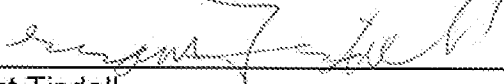
Applicant hereby considers the rejections under 35 USC 102(b) as overcome.

Conclusion

In light of the above remarks and the amendments submitted herewith, the Applicant submits that currently pending claims have taken into account Examiner's statements concerning allowable subject matter and considers them as novel and inventive over the cited references to date, taken either alone or in combination.

In view of the above, Applicant considers the currently amended claims as allowable and requests reconsideration to that effect. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned for any questions on the above.

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